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SUBJECT: SITUATION REPORT NO. 31, SITUATION IN ETHIOPIA

-- AS OF 1500 HOURS (EST) FEBRUARY 17, 1975

AN AP TICKER ITEM FROM ADDIS ABABA STATES THAT "RELIABLE ETHIOPIAN SOURCES REPORTED TODAY THAT THE MILITARY GOVERNMENT HAS ASKED THE UNITED STATES FOR AN EMERGENCY AIRLIFT OF SMALL ARMS AMMUNITION TO REPLACE BULLETS FIRED AGAINST ERITREAN GUERRILLAS." THE SOURCES, ACCORDING TO THE ITEM, SAID THEY EXPECTED THE REQUEST TO BE REFERRED TO SECRETARY OF STATE KISSINGER FOR A DECISION. NETWORK NEWS SHOWS ALSO CARRIED SIMILAR REPORTS.

WE ARE USING THE FOLLOWING GUIDANCE FOR OUR PRESS OFFICE:

Q. HAS THE U.S. GOVERNMENT RECEIVED A REQUEST FOR THE
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URGENT RESUPPLY OF AMMUNITION FOR THE ETHIOPIAN ARMED

SERVICES?

A. WE HAVE HAD CONTINUING DISCUSSIONS WITH THE ETHIOPIAN GOVERNMENT ABOUT MILITARY SUPPLIES, INCLUDING A RECENT REQUEST FOR AMMUNITION. WE ARE STUDYING THIS REQUEST.

Q. WHAT ELSE HAVE YOU BEEN TALKING ABOUT?

A. THE NORMAL RANGE OF MILITARY ASSISTANCE MATTERS RELATING TO THE PROGRAM WHICH WE HAVE HAD WITH ETHIOPIA FOR SOME YEARS. INGERSOLL UNQTE

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